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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Donald L. Harms of Atwater, who passed away on September 15, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Harms was born on November 5, 1934 in Atwater; his parents were George E. and Hazel T. (nee Leach) Harms; he married Phyllis Steward on June 10, 1956 at the Atwater Christian Church; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Harms graduated from Carlinville High School with the class of 1952; he served his country with pride as a member of the United States Army Reserve; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Harms farmed his entire life while working first at Fiat-Allis in Springfield, where he worked until his retirement in 1981; he later worked as a rural mail carrier for the Waggoner Post Office, where he retired after 10 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Harms was a member of St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Carlinville and the American Legion, Guy Baird Post 554; he also served on the board of Bethel Ridge Cemetery; and

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1           WHEREAS, Donald Harms enjoyed hunting, watching western  
2 movies, and spending time with his family; and

3           WHEREAS, Donald Harms was preceded in death by his parents;  
4 his son, Bradley E. Harms; his brothers, Robert and Gerald; and  
5 his sister, Georgann Rudolph; and

6           WHEREAS, Donald Harms is survived by his loving spouse of  
7 57 years, Phyllis; his daughters, Bev (Curt) Ruyle, Barb (Don)  
8 McDaniels, Betty (Jim) Scheldt, and Brenda (Harold) Smith; his  
9 8 grandchildren; his 7 great-grandchildren; his brother,  
10 Harold "Gene" (Dorothy) Harms; his niece; and his many nephews;  
11 therefore, be it

12           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL  
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his  
14 family and friends, mourn the passing of Donald L. Harms; and  
15 be it further

16           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
17 presented to the family of Donald Harms as an expression of our  
18 sympathy.